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Make Your 2012 Traffic Safety Resolutions

Sacramento, CA – It's New Year's Resolution time again! Every year around now people look at what they have done wrong in the past year and resolve to do it right, or perhaps start up a new habit or activity that will make their life (or somebody else's life) better. For the second year, the California Office of Traffic Safety (OTS) has a list of resolutions we can all adopt, making 2012 a safer year for everyone on our roads.

"This is both a fun and serious way to take personal responsibility for safe driving," said OTS Assistant Director Chris Cochran. "Making resolutions can be both enjoyable and thought provoking as we reflect on those things we would like to change in our behaviors. At the same time, these resolutions can actually save lives and prevent tragedies."

The Office of Traffic Safety has come up with a list that anyone can choose from, plus invite each person to think of their own. Sharing is encouraged!

DUI Prevention

- I resolve not to ask anyone who has been drinking, "Are you okay to drive?", because I know that they really aren't
- I resolve not to drive when I've been drinking
- I resolve to call 911 if I see someone I think is driving drunk
- I resolve to be the designated sober driver for my friends or family whenever they ask
- I resolve to stay sober if I am the designated driver
- I resolve to support the sober driver in my group
- I resolve not to drive buzzed
- I resolve to give my kids a safe ride home – no questions asked.
- I resolve never to give alcohol to minors
- I resolve to not let friends or family drive buzzed or drunk

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Cell Phone/Mobile Devices:

- I resolve to not text or talk on my cell phone while driving
- I resolve to not call or text anyone when I think they may be driving
- I resolve to turn off my phone when I'm driving so I don't get distracted
- I resolve to be a good example for my kids and not text and talk while driving
- I resolve to remember, whenever I'm tempted to use a cell phone while driving –
“It's Not Worth It!”

Buckle Up

- I resolve to make sure everyone in the car is buckled up on every ride, day or night
- I resolve to have my child safety seats inspected by a certified professional

Safe Driving:

- I resolve to follow speed, red light, safe turns and all other traffic laws.
- I resolve to be a courteous commuter
- I resolve to share the road with motorists, motorcyclists, bicyclists and pedestrians alike

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